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In Re the Application of:

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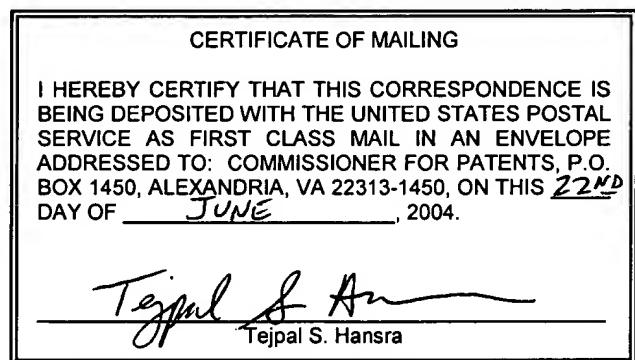
Atty. Docket No.: Q00-1017-US1

For: "FLOW MODIFICATION FOR
REDUCING TRACK
MISREGISTRATION IN HARD
DISK DRIVES"

Group Art Unit: 2652

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REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION
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Dear Sir:

On November 1, 2003, Applicants mailed a document entitled "Petition for Revival of Unintentionally Abandoned Patent Application Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(B)," along with a document entitled "Reply to Office Action of August 1, 2002." On April 13, 2004, the Petition was granted.

On April 22, 2004, the U.S. Patent Office mailed an Office Action, whereby the U.S. Patent Office indicated that Claims 16-18 and 20 were previously cancelled (without prejudice), but were re-presented in the "Reply to Office Action of August 1, 2002." Applicants treat the April 22, 2004 Office Action as a Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment. Accordingly, in

response, Applicants are only re-submitting (in its entirety) a corrected “Amendments to the Claims” section of the Reply, which begins on page 3 herein, to amend the status identifiers for Claims 16-18 and 20 from “withdrawn” to “cancelled.”

A request for a one-month extension of time accompanies this Reply. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-2198 for the one-month extension fee of \$110.00.